

Alna District School
Alna, Maine

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

District of Maine

Historic American Buildings Survey
Josiah T. Tubby, District Officer
537 Congress Street, Portland, Maine

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"ALNA SCHOOL"

Alna, Lincoln County, Maine

Owner

Town of Alna

Date of Erection

1795

Builder

Moses Carlton or
Samuel Averill

Present Condition

The school furnishings have been removed from the interior of the structure and the building is now used as the town office. A one story extension has been added to the rear of the building in recent years. The cupola was added several years after the original building was completed. The entire interior of the building has been altered. The chief interest in the building lies in the tower. Its relation to the mass of the building is particularly pleasing architecturally.

Number of Stories

One

Materials of Construction

The foundation is of stone and brick. Walls plastered. Exterior walls clapboarded. All framing is of pine.

Additional Data

The following data copied from the Alna Town Records gives the only specific information known of this school. This school-house is one of the two school-houses mentioned in the town records quoted here.

Alna Town Records

Page 5 Article 7. Date May 6, 1795

Voted to district the Town for schools and school-houses into three districts.

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To see what the method the Town will take to build and complete three school-houses

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Additional Data-Continued

Continuing Town Records.

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Voted to purchase the school-house already built at Head of the Tide
Voted to accept the offer of Moses Carlton and Samuel Averill
to build each of them one school-house to be in every way complete
and finished in as good a form and manner as the one new-built-
for the sum of Fifty Pounds each-to be completed by the last day
of September next, 1795.

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Voted to accept the report of committee who viewed the school-houses.

Eleanor E. Jannell

Approved:

John J. Tobey

Date: